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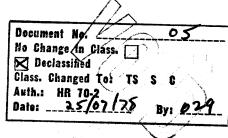
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- It is reported that a handbill was circulated Juring the week of 11 February 1951 at La Concencion. State of Zulia, Venezuela, directed to members of the Portido Comunista de Venezuela (PCV). The leaflet, which was signed by Juan Bautista Fuermayor, directed Party members to infiltrate any labor groups now existing and participating in the contract negotiations. The handbill was circulated among Party members only and carried instructions that they should mass the message on orally. The handbill also carried an attack on Accion Democratica (AD).
- 2. Arrests are reported in various of the oil-field areas during the period all to 19 February. At Palmarejo a clandestine radio set reportedly operated by AD members was seized and several remains detained. The set was located outside of the oil-camp area, and the persons involved were not workers. At Hane Grande and Bachamero, the Guardia Nacional (GN) arrested five workers. The GN force at Menc Grande has been increased.
- 3. Commissary sales in some Zulia oil cames were reported such higher than usual on 17 and 19 February. Normal sales occurred on 15 and 16 February following may-day, but the sales on the next two days were over and above the usual mid-month buying. Such nurchases have always been regarded as an indication that workers expect a strike or a situation which would result in the stores being closed as a repressive measure.
- A. In eastern Venezuela. GN and Seguridad Nacional officials have been searching areas near San Tome and Carinito for several exiled AD leaders who are monored to have returned to Venezuela and who may be in hiding there. Searches began at 18 February and were continuing on 20 February.



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